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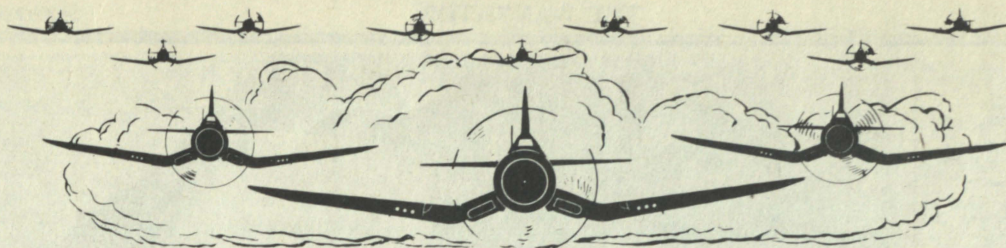


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# THE NAVYATOR

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U. S. NAVY PRE-FLIGHT SCHOOL, DEL MONTE, CALIF.

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## New Leave Policy Will Eliminate Leftover Group

A policy granting leaves of approximately two weeks to top ranking men in each graduating battalion, in order to eliminate the necessity of detaining cadets here after completing the course, was announced this week by Lieut. Comdr. Fitzhugh, the executive officer.

In the past there has been a "leftover" group from each graduating battalion because the primary training bases were unable to care for the total number of graduates. (This "leftover" group was in addition to the "holdover" group kept here for unsatisfactory grades, etc.)

Following the graduation of the Eighth Battalion, twenty-one cadets in the upper bracket, who so desired, took advantage of the leave privilege, thus allowing twenty-one cadets in the lower bracket to advance to a primary base instead of being detained here for two weeks.

Cadets taking the leave now must report back here before going on to their primary bases. However, a request has been made for orders with a 2-week delay in reporting to the primary base. If and when this request is granted, cadets with the 2-week delay orders may go direct to their bases without being required to report here after completion of their leaves.

Railroad reservations are very difficult to secure and in some cases will not be available until the Monday following graduation on Saturday. Each cadet's leave will start just prior to the time of this reservation. Requests for reservations will be made by the Personnel Officer on the Thursday before graduation in order that leaves may begin as soon after 1400, Saturday, as possible.

### The Crew Will Skate

A roller skating party next Thursday evening from 1930 to 2200, to be held at the rink adjacent to the station grounds, is the first event planned by the newly organized Enlisted Men's Recreation Committee headed by C. H. MacLaughlin, Y2c.



SEAMAN B. W. TRANK received the Purple Heart and a hearty hand clasp from Captain Steele last Saturday during the graduation ceremonies for the Eighth. A veteran of four major sea battles in the Pacific, Trank was injured when the Astoria was put out of action off Guadalcanal.

## New Fourteenth Battalion Moves In Lexington Quarters

The "mysteries" of a Pre-Flight School is being explained to the newly arrived Fourteenth Battalion this week by Lieut. F. F. Ongley, the battalion officer, and his staff. Ninety members of the freshman bat-



LIEUT. ONGLEY  
His Fourteenth comes aboard

talion came from the Selection Board at Los Angeles, 90 from Kansas City, Mo., and 30 from St. Louis, Mo. Lieut. Ongley was a star athlete at the University of Illinois and was coaching in Akron, O., when he entered the Service. He served for six months at the Pre-Flight School, Iowa City, Ia., and was head instructor of hand-to-hand combat here before being shifted to the Military department in charge of the Fourteenth.

Lieut. Ongley's staff includes Lieut. (jg) Keeble and Lieut. (jg) Hanson as company officers and the following ensigns as platoon officers: Hall, Banet, Mahan, Baer, Sekerek, Warmerdam and Hilliard.

The Fourteenth has taken over the Eighth's quarters in the Lexington.

## Option of Discharge For Aviation Cadets Terminates Aug. 31

This week all aviation cadets received notice from the Chief of Naval Personnel regarding the termination on and after September 1, 1943, of option of discharge from the Navy upon the discontinuance of training the V-5 program.

Cadets must now make the choice of remaining in the flight training program without having the option of discharge, or requesting immediate discharge from the Naval Reserve before September 1.

The Navy Department is not required to release or discharge any naval reservist in time of war but does not intend to violate any promises, expressed or implied, made at the time of enlistment in the V-5 program.

The Bureau has advised all cadets that continuation as an aviation cadet under the new conditions is in no way prejudicial to their interests and is confident that few men, actuated by a sincere and patriotic desire to serve their country in its time of need, will elect to be discharged.

The Pre-Flight band will play at a public "Food For Victory" meeting at the Pacific Grove Auditorium, Tuesday night.

## Special Service For Dedication Of Chancel, Organ

The Hammond organ and the new chancel will be dedicated tomorrow at the divine service at 0945 with Captain Steele, the Rev. Dr. Theodore Bell, Chaplain Wolf and the full cadet choir of 75 men participating.

Dr. Bell, rector of St. John's Chapel, will give the dedicatory address, Chaplain Wolf will deliver the prayer of dedication and Captain Steele will make a short talk of appreciation.

The chancel, white with oak trimming, consists of an altar, re-dos, pulpit, lectern, kneeling benches for communion and two pulpit chairs. The organ was purchased with funds left by the First Battalion for that purpose and the Second Battalion contributed to the purchase of the chancel.

Officers and guests are invited to attend any of the three services held each Sunday morning in Powers Hall.



Cadet Paul L. Hern, L-1, who as a "boy" learned to shoot while hunting squirrels, coons, rabbits and quail in the redlands of Oklahoma, recently helped baptize the new pistol range by hitting ten bull's eyes in ten shots during a practice run from the offhand position. Westville, Okla., is his home and he also can warble cowboy ballads to his own accompaniment on the guitar.



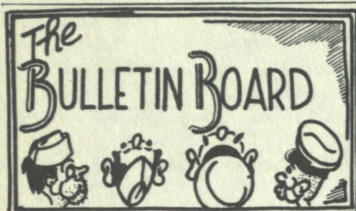
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Commanding Officer

LIEUT. COMDR. GEORGE D. FITZHUGH, USNR  
Executive Officer

LIEUT. W. D. PARTNER, USNR  
Public Relations Officer



## TODAY

### Aboard

Movie—"What's Buzzin' Cousin." Showings at 1620 and 1910 for all battalions except Fourteenth and at 2100 for officers, Ship's Company and guests.

### Ashore

Carmel Theater—"Something To Shout About" and "Daring Young Man."

State Theater—"Shadow Of a Doubt" and "Henry Aldrich Gets Glamour."

## TOMORROW

### Aboard

0945—Dedication Service, Powers Hall.

Movie—"Mr. Lucky." Showings at 1310 and 1500 for all battalions except Fourteenth. Reserved seats for officers at the 1500 showing only.

### Ashore

1300-1700—Dancing, Mission Ranch.

1430—Ninth Battalion Dance, Monterey Peninsula Country Club. Carmel Theater—"Flight For Freedom."

State Theater—"The Hard Way."

## MONDAY

### Ashore

1830—Softball, Fort Ord vs. Pre-Flight Sailors, Carmel.

## WEDNESDAY

### Aboard

1230—Movie, "Divide and Conquer," for Officers, Yorktown projection room.

## THURSDAY

### Aboard

1900—Ninth's "Medicine Show," Balo Room.

## FRIDAY

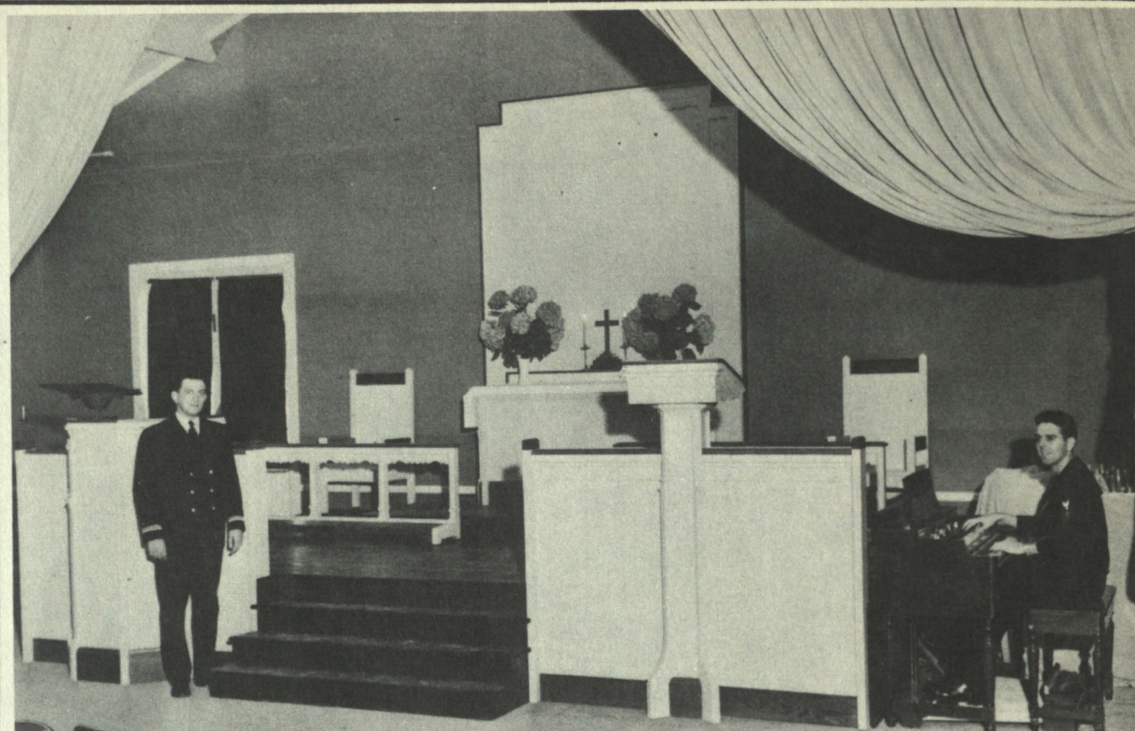
### Aboard

1900—Informal Sing - Song, Lounge.

Al Hall's BB shooting range is proving an interesting spot for Saturday and Sunday afternoon visitors. The range is adjacent to the pool.

## Divine Services

0850—Tenth and Thirteenth Battalions.  
0935—Catholic Service.  
0835—Eleventh and Fourteenth Battalions.  
1020—Ninth and Twelfth Battalions.  
1315—Latter Day Saints Service.  
1900—Christian Science Service.



Chaplain Wolf and Craig Nelson are shown at the new chancel and Hammond organ in Powers Hall. Dedication ceremonies will be held tomorrow at 0945.

## THE BIG WHISTLE

By CHAPLAIN WARREN L. WOLF

THERE is a story that comes out of the lore of the Mississippi river that has a definite application to us and our work. It is a tale about a steam boat that plied the waters of that muddy river. Some say it was Lincoln's story, others say that Mark Twain told it.

There was a little steam boat with a little furnace and a little boiler. It had a great big whistle and an owner who thought his boat was as fast as any on the river. So he would order his men to stuff the furnace with wood, then with a roaring fire and the small smoke stacks spitting sparks, the little old engine would hiss and the paddle wheel would start churning the water. At that time the boat was as fast as any of them, but then the owner began to feel quite elated with himself. He wanted all the boats to notice him, so he pulled the whistle rope and the big whistle screamed away as if the biggest boat on the river was coming. But pulling that whistle caused him to use all the steam. The paddle wheels stopped and the boat drifted down stream in disgrace.

The meaning for us seems to be found here. Each one of us must paddle up stream in life. Some times the current is very strong. Very often it is easier to drift with the current. But if we want to make headway against that onrush we must use every ounce of "steam" that God has given us. We cannot afford to waste a bit. If we grow well pleased with ourselves and start tooting our own horn we will soon be drifting with the current, not ploughing through it.

No real fighter, no real avia-

## Air Travel Available

United Airlines will begin operations out of Monterey Monday. Officers and cadets desiring reservations should make requests at least a week in advance. The telephone number is Monterey 6367. The times:

Southbound—Arrive Monterey (from San Francisco) 1042; leave Monterey 1047; arrive Los Angeles 1248.

Northbound—Leave Los Angeles 0915; arrive Monterey 1116; leave Monterey 1121; arrive San Francisco 1202.

## Cadet Blackwell Is Regimental Commander

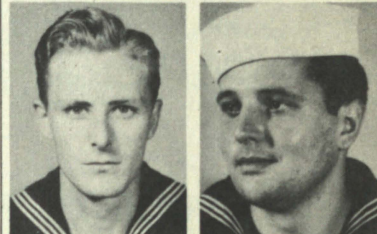
J. A. Blackwell, Sana Ana, Calif., cadet commander of the Ninth, is the new cadet regimental commander, a position he will hold until his battalion is graduated next Saturday. Blackwell was a football, basketball, track and baseball star at Santa Ana high school and at Santa Ana Junior College.

The sub-regimental commander is R. D. Daltam, Oklahoma City, Okla., commander of the Tenth, and the regimental adjutant is the Eleventh's commander, J. H. Brewington, Waco, Texas.

and no American citizen can afford to let pride, self-satisfaction or conceit be the big whistle that uses all of his power. We must use that which we have for greater goals.

## Coen and Dolan Get Commissions

Two members of the crew—William Coen, Y3c, and J. R. Dolan, Sk2c—this week became ensigns, D-V(S), and were detached to report for training at Tucson, Ariz. Coen, who toiled on the halfdeck in the Personnel department, is a graduate of the University of Iowa and was stationed at the Pre-Flight School, Iowa City, Iowa, before being transferred here.



Ensigns Coen and Dolan

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## 'Emergency' Music For Ninth's Dance

A 15-piece "emergency" orchestra will play for Ninth's graduation dance tomorrow at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club.

Composed of volunteer members from Chief Murphy's band, the new orchestra was whipped into condition under the baton of Bill Phillips, first musician, in the absence of the Pre-Flight Orchestra now on leave.

The Shipwrecked Sailors, a novelty corn group, who can really be corny, will be on hand and the Marimba band, "Chili Pickers."

## Buffaloes Continue To Dominate Field In Sports Program

With a lead of more than 100 points over the second-place Buccaneers, the Buffaloes expect smooth sailing until graduation time next Saturday. Last week the squadron tallied another sixty points as the highest scorer and thus topped the Sports Program standings for the sixth consecutive week.

A big reason for the success of the Buffaloes is an all-around athlete from the plains of Texas—J. R. Hill, E Company's commander. A football, basketball and track star at Ysleta, Texas, high school, Hill earned his freshman football numeral at Texas A. and M. before becoming an aviation cadet.

The Kingfishers, in second place last week, dropped to fourth behind the Buccaneers and Skyrockets and the Mustangs moved out of the cellar with the Catalinas taking over that position.

Five squadron names will be changed to those of up-to-date planes when the cadets now making up the squadrons are graduated. The Buffalo squadron will become Corsair, Buccaneer will be Avenger, Skyrocket will be Dauntless, Devastator will be Seagull and Mustang will be Hellcat. The standings:

Buffalo 375	Coronado 185
Buccaneer 267½	Vindicator 170
Skyrocket 240	Mariner 155
Kingfisher 215	Helldiver 150
Devastator 222½	Mustang 125
Wildcat 195	Catalina 105

## New Paddle Tennis Courts

Plans are under way to build four additional paddle tennis courts, to accommodate the large enrollment in the officers tournament.

## To Use Three Pools

While the pool is being repaired, cadets will swim in the municipal pool at Pacific Grove, at the Monterey Peninsula Country Club and in the Monterey High School pool.

## New Regulations For Navy Athletics

Athletic teams representing Navy activities, with the exception of those of the Naval Academy engaged in intercollegiate athletics, hereafter may not engage in games or contests with professional teams unless the games are played on the reservation of the activity represented by the Navy team.

Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox has announced new regulations for participation by Navy personnel in athletic contests in a directive sent to the Commandants and Commanding Officers of all Navy activities.

Hereafter, in general, all athletic contests in which Navy teams participate will be played with opponents from within the same area, delineated by the National Collegiate Athletic Association in its districting of the nation, as that within which the Navy activity is located. In no case, however, may an individual or team be permitted to participate in any contest which requires absence from the Navy activity for 48 hours or more, exclusive of air transportation. Navy teams will not be permitted to engage in bowl or similar contests.

## Two Officers Leave; Two Come Aboard

Lieut. T. D. Ticken this week was detached for duty at the Naval Academy and Ens. F. S. Pugh was detached for eventual overseas duty. Coming aboard from the Navigation School, Hollywood, Fla., were Lieut. (jg) W. G. Patterson and Lieut. (jg) T. A. Larson.

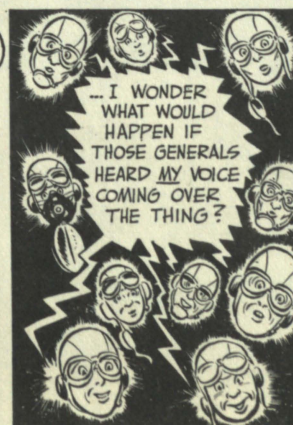
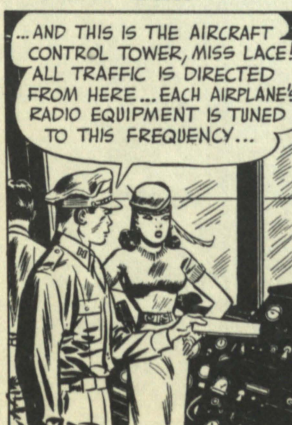
Ensign Underwood has been transferred from the Academic department to the boxing division of the Athletic department and Ens. Corr has been moved from the Military department to the swimming division.

Lieut. (jg) Schley has been transferred from the Academic department to the track division.

Biggest event this week in the yeoman's pool on the halfdeck was when Davis smoked a (Camel) cigarette.

## Male Call

by Milton Caniff, Creator of "Terry and the Pirates"



## Navyators Close Baseball Season With 23 Victories

A record of twenty-three victories and nine losses was compiled by the Navyators during the 3-month campaign that ended last Sunday when the Hendy Iron Works took a 5 to 4 decision in a 14-inning battle at Santa Clara.

As the dominating team in this area, the Navyators defeated Fort Ord eight times in eight starts; downed Moffett Field in each of five games played; won two of the 3-game series with the Salinas Army Air Base; broke even with Camp Roberts in two games; defeated the Santa Cruz Coast Guard in both games played and were victorious in the one game clash with the Presidio of Monterey.

Biggest blot on the record came when the strong St. Mary's Pre-Flight won both games played. Other losses were to Stockton Army, Alameda Coast Guard, Alameda Air Station, and the Livermore NAS.

Leading hitter on the squad was Cadet "Rabbit" Barquin, center fielder now at Moffett Field, with a .475 average. Runner-up to Barquin with a .468 figure was Cadet Maurice Donovan, third baseman, who also is at Moffett Field.

Playing without four regulars—Burnette, Mahan, Barquin and Donovan—the Navyators gave Hendy Iron a tussle until the fourteenth frame when two walks and a single off Banet produced the winning run. McDonald hurled ten innings before giving way to Banet.

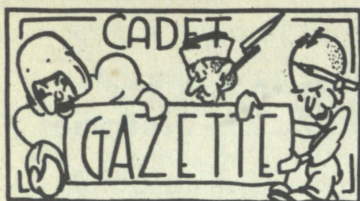
The batting averages, as compiled by Ens. Dakan:

	a.b.	h.	Average
Barquin, cf	59	28	.475
Donovan, 3b	77	36	.468
Mahan, 1b	77	38	.422
Baer, ss	109	43	.386
Collins, rf	76	28	.368
Haak, c	22	8	.363
Sikes, 1b	20	7	.350
Burnette, lf	109	37	.330
Christman, rf	28	9	.321
Prapp, p, 3b	27	27	.310
Schricker, c	45	13	.289
McDonald, p	34	9	.265
Bronson, 2b	8	2	.250
Dawson, lf	45	11	.244
Corr, rf	59	14	.237
Lawrence, 2b	74	17	.230
Banet, p	7	1	.120

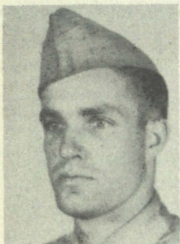
## Whoops Group







One cadet who from experience well appreciates Ens. Warmerdam's pole vaulting accomplishments is F. W. Ferguson, 13-A-1, of Inglewood, Calif. Captain and star pole vaulter of Compton Junior College's national track and field champions in 1942, Cadet Ferguson earned a scholarship to the University of Southern California but entered the Navy instead. . . . Enrolment in the Blue Button Brigade increased visibly recently after G-2 completed a knock-down-and-drag-out soccer game.



CADET FERGUSON  
He has pole vaulting ambitions

Tired of being referred to as "Holdovers," and "Leftovers" and even "Hangovers," a delegation of those cadets left behind by the Eighth recently requested that they be called "Post Graduates."

Cadet Joe Slaughter, A-3, Los Angeles, Cal., strictly a "haba-haba" boy, on his way to the Sports Program has the happy habit of dropping in on the cadets

in No. 604 and giving out with some 'eager-beaver' routine. But it seems that "Red" overshot last Monday, popped his head into No. 605 (Battalion Office) long enough to say, "Come on, all you hustlers out." It is understood that three offices began to move on the double before the mistake was discovered.

Some happy and thoroughly regimented cadet of the Thirteenth was looking for Dr. Anderson. After asking an officer for directions, etc., the cadet managed to negotiate a position in the long line formed outside Sick Bay. Well, this cadet finally got to Dr. Anderson, but not until he'd been given a typhoid and two tetanus shots. He was careful to mention that he hadn't minded getting fingerprinted to get into the Navy, but that he thought getting shots to see the doctor was over-doing it.

Two cadets who represent two of the "fight'nest" families in Texas came aboard with the Thirteenth Battalion.

The Texans whose folks back home are entitled now to hang 4-star service flags in their windows, are Alton B. LaVelle and Jack Reeves Mason, both of B-2.

LaVelle, who hails from Big Springs, has three brothers in the Army. Two of them are overseas, Russel R., on reconnaissance duty in Tunisia, and Randall, a radio man in New Guinea. Sgt. E. H. LaVelle, former recruiter for the Army, is also now in active service.

Mason, of Greenville, Texas, is

### "I WUZ ROBBED"

When God passed out brains, I thought He said trains . . .  
And I missed mine.  
When God passed out looks, I thought He said books . . .  
And I didn't want any.  
When God passed out noses, I thought He said roses . . .  
And I asked for a big red one.  
When God passed out ears, I thought He said beers . . .  
And I asked for two fat ones,  
When God passed out legs, I thought He said kegs . . .  
And I asked for two big ones.  
When God passed out hips, I thought He said lips . . .  
And I asked for two large ones.  
Boy, Am I a Mess!

From NAS, San Pedro, Calif.

### CHRISTMAS MAIL

The 6-week period from September 15 through October 31, has been designated as the time during which all Christmas mail should be posted for Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel on overseas duty. Arrangements have been made with the Post Office Department for special handling of Christmas letters and packages mailed during this period in order to get them to men overseas before the holidays.

the fourth son to take to the air. Two brothers, Lieut. W. P. and Cadet B. A. Mason are with the Army Air Corps. A third brother is P. B. Mason, a Naval Aviation Cadet.



"Quit griping, Mate—you're the guy who said all dames are alike!"

### RADFORD IS PROMOTED

Captain Arthur Radford, who recently made a brief visit here enroute to assuming an important command at sea, recently was made a rear admiral. As head of the Division of Aviation Training, Bureau of Aeronautics, he played a large part in the organization of the five Pre-Flight Schools.

### Art Mahan, Jr., Arrives

In case you haven't received your cigar yet, "It's a boy!" for Ens. Art Mahan. Born last Saturday night at 1000 at the Carmel Peninsula Hospital, young Arthur Mahan, Jr., weighed in at 7 pounds.

The Navy's term for a seagoing or shore dispensary, "sick-bay," was originally called "sick berth" but after round bows were introduced around 1811, the contour of the bulkhead effected the change of name to "sick bay."

## NEWSREEL of the WEEK BY HALE

